

**A CHANCE TO SAY GOODBYE**  
**Christ Church Cathedral Oxford**  
**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

[www.chch.ox.ac.uk/goodbye](http://www.chch.ox.ac.uk/goodbye)

Christ Church Cathedral will be open 10:00am – 4:00pm to allow people to commemorate the people they mourn. Short prayers will be read on the hour.

*'At this remembrance time of year, we want to offer the Cathedral as a place to mourn: to come, light a candle, sit for a while and rest in the stillness of this ancient building, remembering those you love before God in this holy place'*

For full details click here [Full details](#)

**Remembrance Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

In **Stone** Revd Phil Groves will lead a short Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial gates, gathering at 10:50am so that the silence can be observed at 11:00am

In **Bishopstone** there will be a short Act of Remembrance at 10:15am led by David Robinson.

There will not be any singing or refreshments at either location this year.



**PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL NOT BE A DOOR TO DOOR POPPY COLLECTION THIS YEAR**

This year, as a result of COVID-19 many volunteers are understandably unable to assist.

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# Parish of Stone, Dinton and Hartwell

Churches of: St. John Baptist, STONE; Ss Peter & Paul, DINTON; Assumption of St. Mary the Virgin, HARTWELL

[www.stonedintonhartwell.com](http://www.stonedintonhartwell.com)

## St. John the Baptist STONE

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October

### BIBLE SUNDAY

9:00am **MATINS** led by David Pickup

10:30am **MORNING WORSHIP** led by David Pickup

*Readings:*

Chronicles 34:8-31

Nehemiah 8:1 -10

Psalms 119:105-112

2 Timothy 3:14- 17



*'Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path'*

*Psalms 119:105*



**CHECK** - did you turn your clocks back by an hour last night?

Next week our service will be led by Revd Phil Groves

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## Online service

Dear Friends,

The YouTube videos for this week are a bit different to usual. We have two videos for you and we hope both will be inspiring.

Canon Phil has recorded a short video where he asks you to reflect on [Anxiety](#) and how we best respond to the worries we all have at this time. He has done this because he has noted just how anxious we all are as things around us do not seem to be getting any better. He reflects on Paul's response to anxiety in Philippians 4: 4-10 and encourages us to talk, to pray and to act.

If you are affected by this video do get in touch with us. Phil is away this week but you can contact Rev Jonathan Hawkins on 01844 299429.

We also have an interview with [Philipa Blowfield](#) of St Mary's Haddenham. It follows her on her long journey to completing the 2020 London Marathon for the [Dignity and Hope Foundation Cambodia](#) a charity which is supported through our church tithing at St Mary's Haddenham.

These videos are in place of our usual online worship, but we hope they will be of lasting value.

Next week Rev Jonathan Hawkins will be leading a contemplative Communion service online for All Saints Day.

The following week will have a service for Remembrance Day and will feature a sermon by [Rev Ray Pentland](#) who lives in Aylesbury and was Chaplain-in-Chief to the RAF.

Phil is away from now until Sunday 1st November.

### **Phil Groves**

Associate Rector in the Wychert Vale Benefice

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Our next Café is on **7<sup>th</sup> November 10:00am – noon**. We have had to make some changes to meet current COVID19 regulations. That means there will be limited indoor seating so please pray for good weather this time! Nobody will go away unfed though as we will be offering a take away service for the first time. As always we will need plenty of helpers on the day.

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## Exploring Prayer with the Archbishop of Canterbury

Justin Welby has produced a series of five short videos about speaking and listening to God.

1. Asking God 9:5 mins
2. Learning to Lament 12:34 mins
3. Saying Sorry 10:45 mins
4. Giving Thanks 11:13 mins
5. Wonder! 3:57 mins

If you have a few spare minutes why not put the kettle on and have a look

<https://www.archbishopofcanterbury.org/exploring-prayer>

## Update on vacancy for post of Rector

The closing date for applications is this coming week on 29<sup>th</sup> October. After that a shortlist of candidates will be drawn up followed by interviews. It is important that we all pray, not only for the candidates, but also those who have taken on the responsibility on our behalf to interview the candidates and discern God's will for us.



*Heavenly Father we remember in our prayers those who seek your guidance and wisdom in appointing a new Rector to our Benefice. We pray that your Holy Spirit will cause them to be of one mind in their deliberations. We pray too that you have stirred up the heart of your chosen applicant with a real desire to serve you in this place. Amen*

## Current arrangements at SJB

Each Sunday morning the church will be open from 10.15am. There will be a Worship Service at 10.30am and the church will remain open until 11.30am. More formal services such as Holy Communion will not be resumed for some time due to the present COVID19 regulations.

Complying with Government and Diocesan regulations, the church has been properly prepared and places are socially distanced. Hand sanitiser and anti-bacterial spray are readily available. Face coverings must be worn in church except by those under 11 years old. Face masks are available in the porch if you do not have your own.

**The porch will continue to be open for private prayer every day..**

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